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19 MAY, 1974 1041Z
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TO: WIN LORD
THROUGH: GENERAL SCOWCROFT
FROM: SECRETARY KISSINGER

State Dept. review completed

1. PLEASE CALL IN HUANG CHEN OR, IN HIS ABSENCE, HAN HSU, AND CONVEY FOLLOWING UPDATED REPORT ON MY MID-EAST MISSION FOR THE CHINESE LEADERS. WE ARE CONVEYING THIS IN SPIRIT OF OUR CONTINUING DESIRE TO CONSULT WITH PRC ON IMPORTANT INTERNATIONAL ISSUES:

BEGIN MESSAGE:

A. I WANT PRC TO KNOW THAT AS RESULT OF MY DISCUSSIONS IN LAST FEW DAYS I AM ON VERGE OF GETTING THE AGREEMENT OF BOTH SYRIA AND ISRAEL ON THE KEY ISSUE IN THE NEGOTIATIONS, NAMELY THE LINE OF SEPARATION BETWEEN SYRIAN AND ISRAELI FORCES. TO BREAK AN IMPASSE, I MADE AN AMERICAN PROPOSAL, WHICH BOTH SIDES HAVE NOW ACCEPTED IN PRINCIPLE. SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH FURTHER DISCUSSION OF THIS ISSUE, I AM TRYING TO RESOLVE SIGNIFICANT ISSUES ON OTHER MAJOR ELEMENTS OF AN AGREEMENT, NAMELY MUTUAL LIMITATION OF FORCES, A UNITED NATIONS PRESENCE, AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS QUITE SIMILAR TO THE ELEMENTS IN THE EGYPTIAN-ISRAELI DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT OF JANUARY. I AM EXTENDING MY STAY IN THE MIDDLE EAST IN ORDER TO BRING THIS NEGOTIATION TO A CONCLUSION.

B. I EXPECT THE TERMS TO BE WORKED OUT HERE IN THE AREA AND INITIALED WHILE I AM HERE. AS A PURE FORMALITY, THE FINAL DOCUMENTS WILL PROBABLY BE SIGNED IN GENEVA WITHIN THE MILITARY WORKING GROUP. IT IS THE UNANIMOUS DESIRE AMONG ALL THE PARTIES TO THE NEGOTIATION, INCLUDING SYRIA, ISRAEL, EGYPT AND THE UNITED STATES, THAT NO REPEAT NO SOVIET PARTICIPATION CAN BE PERMITTED EXCEPT AT THE FINAL PRO-FORMA SIGNING. WE WILL PRBABLY AGREE TO HAVE AMBASSADORS BUNKER AND VINOGRADOV BE PRESENT AS WITNESSES, OR ALTERNATIVELY OUR MILITARY ATTACHES, OR SOME SUCH ARRANGEMENT. I WILL REJECT ANY SOVIET ATTEMPTS TO HAVE US AND SOVIET FOREIGN

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MINISTERS PRESENT OR TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NEGOTIATIONS.

END MESSAGE

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